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June 7<sup>th</sup> 1878.

Dear Mr. Garrison, your kind & sympathizing letter to my brother came today, & he requests me to answer it for him, as he is very busy <sup>with father</sup>. Your sympathy is very grateful to us all & we cannot thank you, & all our other kind friends, enough for all their sympathy & kindness.

In a moment of clearer brotherhood, told father that you had written & sent your love. <sup>Father replied "well I am glad to get it."</sup> He <sup>then</sup> asked "how did he know I was hurt?" (He does not know what hurt him or how much he is hurt & remembers nothing about the accident & we don't want him to be told at present) He was told that Mr. Hunt had written to you about it, for we



did not want him to know  
the accident was so serious  
as to be in the papers & that  
you had seen it there.

Father replied "I am glad".  
He is in a very critical  
condition but we hope he  
may possibly recover. The  
Drs. don't encourage us much  
but let us hope a little. He  
has had no fever yet &  
seems to gain a little  
each day. He had a quiet  
night last night & has been  
more comfortable today &  
more like himself.

Uncle George is not here,  
he probably did not receive  
the telegram till he got a  
letter giving hope.

Thanking you again for your  
kind sympathy I am very truly yours  
Ed. Burleigh.